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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
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Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

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Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

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PATENT APPLICATION

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In Re the Application of

KEVIN L WASSON, et al.

Application No.: 10/617,390

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For: HYDROSTATIC BEARING FOR LINEAR MOTION GUIDANCE



Group Art Unit: 3682

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It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner return an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 to Applicants with the next Office communication to indicate that the references have been considered, per MPEP § 609.

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